SEPA Environmental Event Report

Elms Event Number ENV/0898323 Notification Number 1

Event Description Odour complaint for 2 Sisters

Reported By

Surname Origin Public Complainant

Forename Affected Medium Air

Organisation

Name Investigating Team Falkirk, Alloa, Stirling and Perth
Address 1

Address 1 Investigating Officer
Address 2

Address 3

Fax No Email Address

Town Post Code Tel No

Receiving Officer

 Time Received
 08:15:00
 Time Responded
 08:30:00

 Date Received
 24-APR-19
 Date Responded
 24-APR-19

Within 24? Yes

Location Located Notifiers Address? Yes

Date Event Occurred 21-APR-19

Site Name 2 Sisters Poultry Limited, Coupar Angus RSA Site? No

Catchment

Mental H&S Low

Assessment

Assessment Description

Impact Category 4 - Other Type Odour

 Cause
 Unknow n
 Sector
 Industry

 Source
 IPC / PPC part A
 Sepa Activity
 PPC

Potential Hazard Farm Name

Complainants Notified? Yes Details

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sent an e-mail complaint directly to SEPA Officer's e-mail address () complaining of a very strong odour from 2 Sisters for much of the day and evening on 21/04/2019. The odour was reportedly pungent and hellish

was out of the office until 24/04/2019 and would have received an out of office notification advising him to contact EPI and SCC.

A SEPA Officer attended site on 23/04/19 (when Officers were next in the office) and undertook an odour assessment around the site and key streets. No significant odours were detected. SEPA also contacted the Manager on site () to ask for the findings of their regular standard odour assessments over the last few days and to identify the potential source. No source was confirmed, however reported the Dutch barn fans were running throughout the hot weather to keep the birds cool prior to being processed. The mortality rate during hot weather is reported to be severe, but with an odour of feathers rather than effluent / liquor. As the temperature was cooler on 23/04/2019, the aim was to reduce the fan operation.

ZB sent email update to n 25/04/19 (copy saved to file folder). returned for a follow-up odour assessment on 25/04/2019. No offensive odours were detected.

and carried out an ad-hoc odour assessment (FIDOL) with Between 14:15hrs and 15:04hrs at various locations around Coupar Angus i.e Kings Road / Princess croft / Union st etc (see file spreadsheet) No odour was detected. Arrived on site approx. 15:15hrs spoke with who again advised that they attributed any potential odour over the Easter weekend from the dutch barn and the fans which keep the birds cool. Points to address from the meeting: The site do carry out their own odour assessments on site how ever SEPA advised that this procedure should be revised as it is carried out by engineers who work in the DAF plant and so are not as receptive/ sensitive to odour (the majority of their assessments detected no odour) Advised that odour assessments should be carried out by 2sisters outside the site boundary also. The aim would be to detect odour issues early on and so take action to identify the source / reduce complaints. Additionally asked to provide further information on their maintenance regime for the carbon filters to ensure the abatement is working as should be.

NFA at present: The offensive odour was not substantiated at the time (standby officers attending other major incident at time Mossmorran). On-going work with the site to address odour issues.